

RESOLUTION NO. 6245

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MORGAN HILL DECLARING A LEVEL 1 WATER SHORTAGE CONDITION REQUIRING THE IMPLEMENTATION OF LEVEL 1 CONSERVATION MEASURES.

WHEREAS, the Governor of the State of California proclaimed a drought emergency on February 27, 2009 based on the State's water supply storage and outlook; and

WHEREAS, on March 24, 2009, the Santa Clara Valley Water District Board of Directors called for 15% mandatory water conservation for the remainder of 2009; and

WHEREAS, the underground water aquifers that the City relies on for 100% of its water supply are recharged by the District using water supplies imported into the District; and

WHEREAS, the District's imported water supply allocations have been significantly reduced for 2009 by the State and Federal government water systems; and

WHEREAS, historical evidence indicates that the State of California has experienced prolonged periods of drought in the past; and

WHEREAS, the long-term health, safety, and prosperity of the community depends upon having a reliable supply of potable water.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of Morgan Hill declares a Level 1 Water Shortage Condition; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the following limitations are now instituted in accordance with the City's Municipal Code's determined response to a Level 1 Water Shortage Condition:

- 1. Limits on Watering Days.** Watering or irrigating of lawn, landscape or other vegetated area with potable water is limited to a maximum of five days per week during the months of April – October. Watering or irrigating is permitted on Sunday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday, and Saturday. During the months of November through March, watering or irrigating of lawn, landscape or other vegetated area with potable water is limited to Wednesdays only. This provision does not apply to landscape irrigation zones that exclusively use very low flow drip type irrigation systems when no emitter produces more than two (2) gallons of water per hour. This provision also does not apply to watering or irrigating by use of a hand-held bucket or similar container, a hand-held hose equipped with a positive self-closing water shut-off nozzle or device, or for very short periods of time for the express purpose of adjusting or repairing an irrigation system.
- 2. Obligation to Fix Leaks, Breaks or Malfunctions.** All leaks, breaks, or other malfunctions in the water user's plumbing or distribution system must be repaired

within seventy-two (72) hours of notification by the city unless other arrangements are made with the city.

- 3. No Washing Down Hard or Paved Surfaces.** Washing down hard or paved surfaces, including but not limited to sidewalks, walkways, driveways, parking areas, tennis courts, patios or alleys, is prohibited except when necessary to alleviate safety or sanitary hazards, and then only by use of a hand-held bucket or similar container, a hand-held hose equipped with a positive self-closing water shut-off device, a low-volume, high-pressure cleaning machine equipped to recycle any water used, or a low-volume high-pressure water broom.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the City Council of Morgan Hill at a Regular Meeting held on the 27th day of May 2009 by the following vote:

AYES:	COUNCIL MEMBERS:	Larry Carr, Marby Lee, Greg Sellers, Steve Tate
NOES:	COUNCIL MEMBERS:	None
ABSTAIN:	COUNCIL MEMBERS:	None
ABSENT:	COUNCIL MEMBERS:	None

∞ CERTIFICATION ∞

I, IRMA TORREZ, CITY CLERK OF THE CITY OF MORGAN HILL, CALIFORNIA, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of Resolution No. 6245, adopted by the City Council at a Regular Meeting held on May 27, 2009.

WITNESS MY HAND AND THE SEAL OF THE CITY OF MORGAN HILL.

DATE: _____

IRMA TORREZ, City Clerk